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A HAND OF BLACKJACK THAT RESULTS IN A PUSH

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Group Art Unit: 3714
Examiner: Alex P Rada

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

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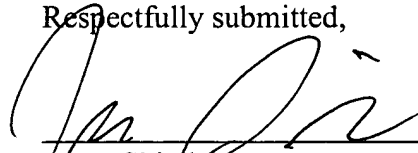
Applicants' Attorney, Jason Skinder, spoke with Examiner Rada regarding clarification of the objection to the figures in the Non-Final Office Action, dated July 21, 2004. The Examiner stated that the figures presently show every feature of the broadest independent claims, but wanted to see boxes in the flowchart to directed the "if" statements in the dependent claims from Claim 1. As an example the Examiner pointed to claim 2, which contains the language "after said determining if the player has won the hand of blackjack, arranging for the player to receive payment of a winning amount based on the wager amount."

The Examiner also indicated that he was amenable to an additional interview after entry of this response to the non-final office action to discuss the current claim amendments in aid of crafting allowable claims. The Examiner stated that the breadth of the prior art with respect to blackjack-like games was limited and felt that the present invention was patentable.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this interview summary or the present application, the Examiner is cordially requested to contact Jason Skinder at telephone number 203-461-7017 or via electronic mail at jskinder@walkerdigital.com.

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